

EPA Starts An Emergency Removal Action At The Diaz Intermediates Corp. (PRP), West Memphis, Arkansas.

The site is an abandoned and bankrupt manufacturing facility that was referred to the EPA by the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ). The site manufactured various organic chemicals containing bromine and it filed for bankruptcy during the summer of 2007. The Site is 10 acres in size and contains approximately 2,000 drum/tote containers. On January 10, 2008, the EPA collected six water samples, from the secondary containments, drum pad areas, and the site drainage ditch, for laboratory analysis. On January 22, 2007, EPA received the six water sample laboratory results and the one sample that failed recommended discharge parameter levels was for a low pH of 4.25 and a zinc value of 22.5 ppm. The EPA has forwarded the results to ADEQ and is planning to remobilize to the site during the week of January 28, 2008.

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